THE DAILY INDEPENDENT.

VOL. 4. NO. 229 MONESSEN, PA., WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28, 1906. SIX CENTS THE WEEK

MONESSEN OPERA HOUSE.

GOOD AS OLD WINE **THE DONNELLEY & HATFIELD** Magnificent Minstrels. Direction of Al. G. Field

The Evolution of Minstrelsy—Tommy Donnelly, Harry G. Shunk, Arthur Crawford, Lee Edmunds, Guy Stanley, Gilbert Losee. The Famous Toledoes Tuscano Bros. James Finnigans Concert Band.

POPULAR PRICES---25c, 35c, 50c and 75c.

FRIDAY MARCH 30

TODAY WILL DECIDE STRIKE

Both Sides Standing Firm and Small Hopes for Amicable Settlement are Entertained.

No agreement was the decision of the joint scale committee of the bituminous miners and operators of the central competitive field at Indianapolis, yesterday and was thus rendered to the joint convention.

Both sides are standing firm, President Mitchell having submitted the 1903 scale to the operators, and John H. Winder again offering the prevailing wage rate Today will decide for or against the strike, the convention having adjourned yesterday without taking any definite action. Robbins, of the Pittsburg Coal Co., will today appeal to the miners in convention to permit him to operate his mines under the 1903 schedule. It is not thought probable that in case there is a strike this district will be effected.

Numerous wrangles were in evidence at yesterdays session, the breach between President John Mitchell and Vice-President Thos. L. Lewis being considerably widened, the result of a heated discussion between the two. F. T. Robbins and W. H. Chapman, of Ohio, also engaged in a bitter dispute. John H. Winder, Leader of the operators, in reply to President Mitchell stated in part that if Pennsylvania saw fit to pay the 1903 scale they would not stand in the way of the miners receiving the advance but that they, (Illinois operators) could not concede to it and that they therefore offer as a substitute for the motion made by President Mitchell that the scale adopted two years ago and expiring April 1, 1906 with all the conditions existing at the time of adoption, be reaffirmed and that the mining rate at Danville, the basing point in Illinois, be made this scale for the year 1907.

Mr. Conson, a big Indiana operator also stated in behalf of the operators that they did not see their way clear to give the miners an advance. Phillip Penna, commissioner of the Indiana operators' association suggested settlement by arbitration. President elect Green, of the Ohio miners stated that he thought it would be difficult to convince the public that the other operators can't pay the advance when the Pittsburg Coal Co., will grant it. After adjournment Pres. Mitchell telegraphed the W. Va. mine operators to with hold their joint conference until Monday pending a termination of the Indianapolis squabble.

Will Cost Millions.

It is reported that the Pennsylvania railroad company is planning to construct a pipe line from its subsidiary reservoir at South Connellsville by way of Uniontown and Connellsville to Pittsburg and that a force of engineers will soon survey the proposed route which is along the Pennsylvania right of way from South Connellsville to Redstone; thence to Brownsville and Pittsburg.

At present the Monongahela river is well suited for furnishing the supply but indications are that the activity in the West Virginia coal fields will, in a few years, render the water unfit for use because of the sulphur which will be turned into it and therefore drive the Pennsylvania to seek its supply from another quarter. The new line will rival in cost the one by way of Greensburg which is costing millions of dollars.

Not a Candidate for Governor.

Hon. George F. Huff, of Greensburg, has made this public announcement: "I think I am too busy to be Governor. Besides I am a candidate for re-election to Congress in the Westmoreland-Butler district to succeed myself."

Yes, Mi-o-na cures all forms of stomach trouble. Miller gives a guarantee with every 50c box.

INTERESTING NEWS

Gathered by Our Reporters in Monessen and Vicinity.

John Prather is in Belle Vernon today on business.

Are there any toilet goods that you need? Let us supply them—Kirk's Drug Store.

Burgess F. H. Shutterly is confined to his home with lagrippe.

Dr. Barben, Dentist — Teeth extracted by air or gas and full set of teeth $10.00

Geo. Harrison, of Donora, is calling on friends in town today

A circle of the "Homeless 26" was organized at Scottdale Monday evening with 40 members.

We have some splendid values in sponges at prices from 5c to $1.50—Kirk's Drug store.

Arthur Hutton and R G. Stanley are looking after business matters in the Smoky City today.

Look over our new line of combs and hair brushes — the very best makes. Prices to suit any sized pocket book—Kirk's Drug store.

Mrs. C. C. Cook, of Pittsburg, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H J. Nicolay on Donner avenue.

Buy your plaster, cement, sand and gravel from the Peoples Lumber Co. tf

J. B. White spent Sunday with his little daughter, Charlotta, at the home of his brother in Pittsburg

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Mrs. W. S. Lewis, of McMahan Borough, who has been seriously ill for the past week is now able to sit up.

The Apollo Chocolate candy—the candy that's different—60c a pound at Kirk's Drug store.

John W. Matey, representing the Selz-Schwartz Shoe Co., of Chicago, is calling on the shoe merchants in town today.

The Colonial club of Belle Vernon will hold a dance there this evening. Quite a number of Monessen people will attend.

Tickets on sale now, for Donnelly & Hatfield Minstrels, at White's Book Store.

No treating, no wine rooms and no free lunch are some of the conditions which will govern Beaver county saloons this year.

Hot Spring's Blood Remedy makes you eat right, feel right and act right—LIGHT sells it.

D. H. Hobert left today for Conneaut, O., where he will be joined soon by his family, he having purchased a farm near there.

Life like portraits painted in oil, any size, durable and cheap. A. Davenport, 301 Sixth street.

Dr. and Mrs. F. P. Cook and child returned home yesterday from Barnesville, O., where Mrs. Cook has been visiting her parents.

Mrs. Jack Butler and Miss Stella Brautegam attended the matinee at the Nixon today where Fremstad and Caruso are dividing honors.

Perfumes—Delicate, but lasting. You can get Wright's Palmer's or Colgate's at LIGHT'S DRUG STORE.

The Monessen Tennis Club met and reorganized last evening in the rooms of City Engineer John Irwin. Mr. Irwin was elected manager, secretary and treasurer for the coming summer.

Baby's Friend—We're a good friend to the little fellow—we keep everything he needs—LIGHT'S DRUG STORE.

The McKeesport council No. 109 Jr. O. U. A. M., acting in conjunction with Hero council, is preparing to present fine flags to the three new city school buildings as soon as they are dedicated.

John Jenkins, of Charleroi, provided a transfer of licence is made, will have charge of the McBride Hotel at Monongahela. Mr. Jenkins will devote his attention to the comfort of the traveling public.

HAS RELIC OF LORD NELSON.

Wireton Farmer is the Possessor of Unique Memento.

J. L. Anderson, a farmer living near Wireton, is the possessor of a relic of Lord Nelson, the hero of Trafalgar, which he prizes highly. It is a piece of gold braid from Nelson's cuff and was picked up on the deck of the flag ship, Victory, just after Nelson fell by a shot from top-mast of one of the ships of the enemy. The relic was presented to Mr. Anderson's father, Capt. W. B. Anderson, who took part in the battle of Trafalgar bay.

Capt. Anderson served on the rivers during the Civil war and later became one of the best known rivermen living in this vicinity. In the early seventies, while in command of the packet, R. C Gray, he met Capt. Bailie, who was making a tour of the United States. Capt. Bailie was the owner of a valuable collection of curios gathered in all parts of the world. Most of his collection was lost in a shipwreck and the Nelson memento was one of the few things saved. Capt. Bailie and Capt. Anderson became warm friends and the English officer often visited the Anderson home.

Donnelly & Hatfield Minstrels.

The managers of the Donnelly & Hatfield Magnificent Minstrels have been fortunate in securing a list of meritorious specialties. Among the headliners are the Tuscano brothers Roman Axe manipulators. These gentlemen balance, throw and juggle rude Roman axes and it is said the act has never been duplicated in dexterity. It is a daring one, fraught with much danger to the performers Big bladed axes, their steel flashing above the footlights, fly through the air like birds on wings. There is a score of these blades in the air at the same time, but they are caught with ease and grace by the performers and never do they land upon the floor. Elaborate scenic investitures and electrical effects add to the attractiveness of the performance.

Other specialties of a sensational nature will be introduced by this company.

"Bridge of Sighs" in View.

The "Bridge of Sighs," connecting the county jail with the new court house at Greensburg is now being erected. A hole was knocked in the eastern wing of the jail and an entrance is being made. After the completion of the court house the sight of a drove of shackled prisoners walking along the streets, reminding one of the days of slave-driving, will be a thing of the past. Over this passageway the prisoners from the jail will be taken directly to the prisoners' box in the court house.

Nine Men Killed.

News has been received here that nine men were killed and twelve injured yesterday morning, in a wreck of a passenger train on the Chicago and Northwestern Railroad, 30 miles west of Casper, Wyo.

The wreck is said to have been caused by the washing out of a newly made roadbed, the tracks collapsing and the train being overturned.

The railroad bridge at Casper has been washed out by the spring freshet, it is reported and no relief can be sent from Casper to the scene of the wreck.

Working Out Their Fines.

Connellsville has resorted to a unique method of lessening the number of tramps and common drunks which have been causing that boro so much trouble Each offender who is unable to pay his fine, is compelled to work out his fine. In this manner the streets are kept clean and much public grading is being accomplished. It wouldn't be a bad idea for Monessen to follow suit.

And Sassiety is Sad.

Alice's Japanese poodle dog, Toodles, is sick with gastritis. The servants have been feeding it too much cake. How sad!

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YOUNG PEOPLE ENTERTAINED

A Fair Sized Audience at the Opera House Last Night.---Benefit of Bethany Baptist Church.

The entertainment given by the young people of Bethany Baptist church in the opera house last night was greeted by a very gratifying audience. The program was well rendered and met with the approval of all present.

The prizes which were given the ones selling the largest number of tickets were won by Miss Mary Leonard and Miss Harriet Weddle, although several of the contestants deserve favorable mention for the active interest displayed.

Rev. and Mrs. Madtes, Miss Melick, Mrs. Weddle and Mr. C. G. Drake deserve praise for their untiring efforts in preparing the participants for the various parts in which they were so successful.

A very encouraging sum was realized from the unusual sale of seats.

Brakeman's Legs Cut Off.

Barney Brady, of Pittsburg, a brakeman on the P. V. & O., had both legs cut off by the train on which he was working about 3 o'clock yesterday, at Journey, near Monongahela. The accident was due to a defective brake. They were engaged shifting cars, when the sudden bumping knocked Brady off and he rolled under the wheels. He was taken to the Monongahela hospital, where small hopes are entertained for his recovery.

Wedding Postponed.

The marriage of Miss Edith Taylor, of Pittsburg, and Frederick Brown, of Belle Vernon, which was to have taken place Tuesday evening, April 3, has been postponed. Mr. Brown is seriously ill of typhoid fever.

The white wings are at work today washing down Sixth street, commencing at Reed avenue. As a result the crossing at Sixth and Schoonmaker is a veritable pond. However the end justifies the means.

Eat what you want and when you want if you strengthen the stomach with Mi-o-na. 50c a box at Miller's Pharmacy.

The strike of the McKeesport painters has been practically settled by the reported signing of the scale by two more contractors who have been holding off. If true this means a victory for the strikers.

WANT ADS ONE CENT A WORD.

WANTED—A girl to cook and do general housework. Prefers an American or Swede. Corner Sixth and Reed avenue.

WANTED—Good girl for general house work; apply first floor, Dillinger Bldg. 2t

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Give your doctor the very best aid by getting your prescriptions filled where you know they will be filled with pure drugs and by competent men. Even the best doctors cannot cure you with below strength and impure drugs, then too, unskillful ways of compounding drugs will spoil even the purest.

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Fred W. Francis.

Fred W. Francis, son of Mr. and Mrs. David Francis, formerly of Monessen, died at the home of his uncle in Cleveland Friday March 23. The young man's parents decided to remove from Monessen going to Perth Amboy, N. J. last fall but finding the climate did not agree with him, sent him to Cleveland in the hope that he would regain his health, but shortly after arriving in Cleveland he grew worse and at last succumbed. The deceased was about 18 years of age.

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Value $7 will go for $4.50
Value $1.50 Skirts go for 98c
Value $2 Waists go for $1.25
Value $1.50 Waists go for 98c
Value $1.25 Waists go for 75c
Childern's Girdles 20c
Ladies fine Corsets 25c
All dollar Corsets will go for 75c
Flowers, Mull and Shiffon's go at ½ price
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ANDREW Carnegie seems to have made a favorable impression on Richmond, Va They may be wondering if he has another $100,000 in his clothes.

SECRETARY Taft will doubtless decide that a Supreme bench appointment in the hand is worth a bunch of chances in a national convention.

IT is one of the jokes of history that the conservative Democrats are now turning to Bryan, because he is conservative as against Hearst.

SPEAKER Cannon must have enjoyed reading Andy Hamilton's remarks. They came so near his own opinion of the Senate

IT seems that when a Pittsburg man strikes it rich nowadays, the first thing he wants to do is get rid of his wife.

IT is now a neck-and-neck race between the pure food bill and a "pure statehood bill."

Weighing the Anchor.

A young lady, who had no knowledge of nautical phrases, asked a friend, "Do you know, I often wonder why a ship has to weigh its anchor every time it leaves port?" The answer of her friend was not illuminating—"Well—er—the weight is constantly changing, you know, because of the—er—binnacles and things that accumulate on the anchor!"—London News.

His Jubilee.

Judge—Are you aware of any mitigating circumstances in your case? Prisoner—Yes, your honor. This is the fiftieth time I have been here for vagrancy, and I thought that perhaps we might get up a small jubilee.

For Two Pins.

"My wife told me this morning that for two pins she'd kiss me."

"How affectionate!"

"No; merely crafty. She's after two diamond hatpins she saw in a jeweler's window yesterday."

The Resemblance.

"A wild goose has really some reason to be classed in courage with the eagle."

"In what respect?"

"It is sure to die game."—Baltimore American.

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Precisely.

Izzy Innit—Did you ever hear an oyster buy?

Tommy Rott—Yes, it's sort of a Long Island sound.—New York Times.

Mean.

Molly—Have you seen Mabel's engagement ring? Dolly—Seen it? Why, wore it all last summer.

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For Brownsville and intermediate stations 6:30, 8:04, 9:58, a. m., 12:36, 2:52, 5:07, 8.58, p. m., 11:15 night week-days. Sundays 8:46, 11:25 a. m., 3:02, 6:51, 11:40 p. m.

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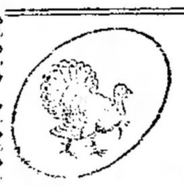

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GROVER'S GLOVE

By COLIN S. COLLINS

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It was all because Grover, in a sudden fit of sentimentality, had annexed Miss Lenhart's glove. On the football field, in the woods, in the hunting season or at polo Grover was afraid of nothing, but there was something about the five foot daintiness of Laura Lenhart that made Lloyd Grover blush and stammer like the rawest schoolboy in the maddest stages of his first love affair.

He never would have dared to annex the glove had he not been certain that Miss Lenhart was unaware of her loss, and he stuffed it in his deepest pocket, trembling from head to foot lest some one suddenly appear and demand that he restore the souvenir to its owner.

Later on he participated in the general hunt for the glove, and none was more eager than he in the search. Even after Miss Lenhart laughingly declared that it did not matter he kept up the pretense and made that the excuse for reporting at her side as often as her partners left her alone for a moment.

Dropping in at his club on the way home, Grover could not resist the temptation to draw the glove from his pocket and gloat over his boldness. He even pressed it to his lips, after making sure that no one was looking, but he crushed it hurriedly in his hand at Jack Turner's approach, and as he did so for the first time he realized that there was something inside the glove.

With the perspiration standing cold upon his forehead, he realized that it must be a ring, and his active imagination at once busied itself with plans for returning the jewel undetected. He could never bring himself to confess the theft of the glove. He could not pretend to have found the ring without being forced to explain why he had not returned it at once, and a thousand and one suggestions all equally impossible, rushed through his mind.

All the time he was keeping up a conversation with Turner, and he much

TURNED TO CONFRONT A BURLY RUFFIAN WITH A REVOLVER.

surprised that young man by answering, "By registered mail," when asked how he was going home.

"I was going to walk," laughed Turner, "and suggest that I keep you company as far as your door, but if you are going by registered mail I think I will pass."

"Registered mail won't do," was the absent reply. "You see, I'll have to give my address to the postal clerk."

"You'll be giving your address and other details to the desk sergeant," laughed Turner, "if you try to get home in this state." And he left the smoking room fully convinced that for the first time he had seen Lloyd Grover intoxicated.

For an hour Grover sat and pondered the situation, and at last, without having arrived at a satisfactory solution, he went out in the hope that the fresh air might stimulate his faculties to some plan of escape.

So engrossed was he with his thoughts that he did not realize how far he had walked until, with a start, he found himself several miles from home and in a most unsavory quarter of the city. He turned to retrace his steps, and in an endeavor to reach a car quickly he took a short cut through an alley.

Halfway down the block he heard footsteps behind him and turned to confront a burly ruffian with a leveled revolver in his hand. With a spring that had gained many a five yards on the gridiron, Grover sprang on him, and in a moment they were on the wet pavement struggling to gain the advantage over the other. The footpad landed several telling blows, but in the end Grover's skill told against the other's weight, and Grover was just rising from his opponent's prostrate form when, with a rush, the police were on them. The fight had been observed, and the patrolman had summoned help.

In spite of his denials Grover was dragged to the station house and charged with assault and battery, and when he was searched the glove with its ring was brought to light.

"One of those Rahues chaps," was the grinning comment of his captor. "I'll bet that sparkler is worth $500."

One of the watchers stepped forward. "That is the ring Miss Lenhart lost," he declared excitedly. "Her father telephoned headquarters an hour ago, and an alarm was sent out. They think one of the waiters at the Colwell ball stole it."

"This chap looks like a waiter," suggested the policeman surveying Grover's battered face. "Guess we'll hold him."

They laughed at his request that various influential persons be sent for. It was then 1 o'clock in the morning, and the sergeant would not call any one out of bed to come to the relief of a waiter who had been found fighting in "Bloody alley," so they confiscated the ring and thrust him into a cell with scant ceremony.

For the rest of the night Grover paced the narrow limits of the cell or sat on the edge of the iron bunk and thought. He had heard of men who had gone to prison and had concealed that fact. It would be a good idea in his case. It would be better to pass three months in jail and have it out that he had gone abroad than to face the jeers of the fellows, and when in the morning Laura came to the station house to identify her property before Grover was taken to court he stood silent while she sought to identify him as one of the waiters.

With his blackened eyes and cut lips it was difficult to tell what he looked like, and she turned away with a shake of her head. Grover's heart leaped as he realized that so far his scheme had worked successfully. Now all he would have to do would be to plead guilty and take his three months' sentence. But his hopes were dashed by Laura's next remark.

"Will the man get a long sentence?"

"Not very long," was the careless reply of the wardman. "As far as we can make out, it's his first offense, and he'll get off with five or six years."

It was too much. Grover started forward. "Laura," he called. The girl turned in astonishment, while her father made a step forward as if to resent the familiarity. "Don't you recognize me?" he pleaded. "Don't mention my name, but for heaven's sake let me see you for a moment in private!"

"Where?" she asked uncertainly.

"There's the captain's room, miss," suggested the detective. "If you need help I'm right here. Just call."

As the door closed on them the girl turned. "Lloyd," she asked curiously, "what does this mean?"

"I didn't steal your ring," he said desperately. "I did steal your glove. The ring stuck in one of the fingers, and I never found it out till I got to the club. I was wandering around trying to find some way of getting it back to you when some rough tried to hold me up. Only thinking of the ring, I went for him and just had him beaten when they arrested me. Then they found the ring, and you know the rest."

"But what on earth did you want of the glove?" she asked. "If you wanted one I would have given it to you."

"I couldn't ask," he stammered. "Don't you know? Don't you understand? I mean—well, when a fellow loves a girl he doesn't dare do a lot of things. I've coveted that glove ever since you wore it at the Gordons' ball last winter. That was the first time I knew that I loved you. My love made me a coward. I could no more ask for the glove than I could have asked for your heart."

"Yet you might have had both for the asking," she said tenderly.

Watering Carlyle.

A lady was one day approaching the modest home of the Carlyles in Cheyne Walk. Poor, long suffering Jeanie Welsh Carlyle, up in the bal ony, looked down at her. "Oh do," she called out, "come in' Mary Ann and I are so tired of watering Carlyle." The lady entered and was escorted to the little garden at the back of the house. There it was a hot day, and the great man in a pool of water. Both ends of the two-storied woman had been busily employed in dodging the flowerpots and had by means of a large watering pot. He was very particular that not a drop should touch his sacred person, which no doubt doubled the difficulty of the operation. The same authority relates that Mrs. Carlyle kept a dog which she loved. But it would come in with muddy feet, and the splenetic philosopher objected. No one was willing to wash the creature, yet he had to be cleaned somehow. Finally there was an arrangement made with a local laundress, and she washed him every week, sending him home in a basket with the clean clothes.

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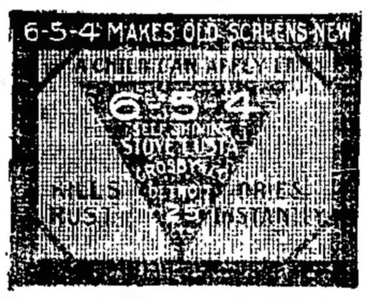

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THE MAN IN THE MOONLIGHT

[illegible] by McClure's Magazine [illegible] the great hotels [illegible] bungalows for the use of travelers. They are little more than shelters from the weather. If the traveler has no bedding he must needs go unprovided. If he has no food he must buy of the natives or go hungry.

On the great highway between Allahabad and Nagpoor there were eight passengers of us who got down from a lodge one night, tired, hungry and dirty. Three of the number were women, being wives of three of the men. We had with us, going down to his regiment at Nagpoor, a British major belonging to a native regiment. The British officer, no matter where you find him, is a gentleman, but this was an exceptional case. The major was rough by nature, and drink had rendered him anything but an agreeable companion or a man of manners.

The married men were first in the bungalow and made their selections. The major stopped to quarrel with the driver and therefore came last. There was room left for him, but he did not choose to put up with last choice. He insisted that one of the married couples turn out for him. When they refused to do so he became abusive. A personal encounter finally resulted and the major was soundly thrashed by one of his own nationality. He was thrashed, but not silenced. He dared his conqueror to fight him a duel, and he threatened revenge on all of us.

It was a bright moonlight night, so bright that one could see every leaf on a tree a hundred feet away. The major disappeared while the rest of us were cooking and eating, and we saw no more of him for two hours. Then as I walked out on the grounds to smoke a pipe he came sauntering down the road. I took it that he had been to a native hut about a quarter of a mile away to buy food and had eaten it before his return. The man had also been imbibing afresh. I had said that I would go in and go to bed and had started for the veranda of the bungalow when the turn of war drew a pistol and aimed it full at me and said:

"That will be as I say. Walk down the road."

"Isn't this rather high handed, major?" I asked as I turned to him.

"Never you mind about that. I'm not going in, and there are enough of them to vilify me without adding you. Move on, I say."

"Major, you are laying yourself liable to the law."

"Curse the law! Will you move on or take a bullet?"

I saw that he was wrought up to the pitch where he would shoot me down if I opposed him, and I walked away down the road. He followed and took me by the arm, and holding a cocked revolver in his right hand, he began to talk about his military career. The brandy he had taken would have made the average man maudlin drunk, and he would have had to have help to walk. The man's voice was a bit thick, and now and then he lurched a bit, but one could not have called him drunk.

We kept on walking for half a mile as we talked, and the major finally drew me off the highway to a seat on the ground beneath a large tree. I sat with my back to the trunk of the tree while he sat in the open six feet away. I was in the shade and he in the clear moonlight, with a shallow nullah or ravine thirty feet behind him. The man had put down his pistol and seemed to have no further thoughts against me.

I was impatient to get away from him and into the bungalow, and I kept hoping that his libations would finally end in his going to sleep where he sat. Instead of that happening, however, he seemed to grow more wakeful as time passed on.

He had held me prisoner under the tree for a full hour when I suddenly noticed something queer beyond him. The nullah was bordered on our side by a few scattered bushes and bunches of grass. Under the moonlight each bush and bunch cast a shadow toward me. While my eyes were carelessly resting on these shadows one of them took the shape of a tiger's head, with the ears cocked up. I stared at the thing for a minute or two, but detected no movement.

Then the major began a story about a battle, and in listening to him I forgot all about the shadow. Perhaps it was five minutes before I looked again. It was still there, even if it had not grown plainer. From the shadow to the fringe of the jungle was not over five pace. If a tiger was stalking us he would creep down that ravine.

"Major, look behind you and tell me if you see the shadow of a tiger's head," I said.

"Bosh on your tiger's head," he exclaimed without turning his face. "I tell you I'm bound to get even with your crowd. The man who struck me must give me satisfaction, or I will shoot him down like a hyena."

"Give me your pistol and let me fire a shot."

"You don't get it. I tell you, sir, that you and your crowd have got"—

Then I thought a great football came flying through the air. It landed on the major with a growl, flirted a thick tail about and struck me across the face with it, and when I sat up and rubbed my eyes the soldier had disappeared. I heard crashing sounds in the jungle, but when I called out there was no answer. I rose to my feet and looked for the shadow of the tiger's head, but it had vanished.

M. QUAD.

OLD LEAP YEAR LAWS.

When Women Leaped Six Centuries Ago the Man Had to Accept.

In the [illegible] that have come down to us from the [illegible] were provisions which gave women the right of proposing marriage to men. [illegible] ever further than this. They also stipulated that if a lady whose hand they had sought should refuse her she should incur a heavy fine.

A search among the ancient records of Scotland discovered an act of the Scottish parliament, which was passed in the year 1288, which runs as follows:

"It is statut and ordeint that during the reign of his maist illustrit Megeste, for the years known as Lepe Yeare ilk maydyn ladye of high degree and lowe estate shall free liberte to bespeke ye man she likes albeit gif he refuses in ye tyme to wed her to be his lawful wyfe, he shall be fyned in ye sum of one thousandis of gold, as his estait may be, except and unto gif he can make it appeare that he is betrothit ane other woman, he then shall be free."

A year or two later a law almost similar to the Scottish enactment was passed in France and received the approval of the Pope. It is also said that before Columbus sailed on his famous voyage to the westward a similar privilege was granted to the maidens of Genoa and Florence.

There is no record extant of any fines imposed under the conditions of this Scotch law and no trace of statistics regarding the number of spinsters who took advantage of it or of the similar regulations in France, but the custom seems to have taken firm hold upon the popular mind about that time. The next mention of it is dated nearly 400 years later, and it is a curious little treatise called "Love, Courtship and Matrimony," which was published in London in 1606. In this quaint work the "privilege" is thus alluded to:

"Albeit it now becomes a part of the common law in regard to social relations of life that as often as every leap years doth return, the ladyes have the sole privilege during the time it continueth of making love either by words or lookes, so man will be entitled to benefit of clergy who doth in any wise treat her proposal with slight or contumacy."

Up to within about a century ago it was one of the unwritten laws of leap year that if a man should decline a proposal he should soften the disappointment which his answer would bring about by the presentation of a silk dress to the unsuccessful suitor for his hand.

A curious leap year superstition is still to be met with in some parts of New England and that is that during leap year the "beans grow on the wrong side of the pod."

An Incautious Critic.

Almost the last work that Sir Edwin Landseer was engaged on was a life sized picture of Nell Gwynn passing through an archway on a white palfrey. The picture in which the brave deshe was immortalized was bought by one of the Rothschild family and given to Sir John Millais to complete. One morning a celebrated art critic called and was much impressed with this work. "Ah, to be sure!" he said, going up close and examining a deerhound, which almost breathed, in the foreground of the picture. "How easily one can recognize Landseer's dogs! Wonderful, isn't it?" "Yes, it is wonderful," remarked Sir John, lighting another pipe. "I finished painting that dog yesterday and have done the whole of it myself." That critic was sorry he spoke.

Another Reason.

Aunt Emeline is the best loved woman in Savinouth, for her charity is alike of hand and heart. Like many other excellent persons, Aunt Emeline is not a church member, but she is a regular attendant at the village church, which is so near her cottage as to seem under the same roof. When, at the close of a recent sermon, the minister requested all those present who had never united with the church to retire at the end of service, everybody was surprised to see Aunt Emeline rise and start down the aisle.

"Aunt Emeline," the minister called softly, "that does not apply to you!"

"That isn't why I'm going," Aunt Emeline responded serenely. "I smell my dinner burning up."—Youth's Companion.

The Oily Menhaden.

The oily character of the menhaden is familiar. It is caught for its oil, which is tried out in factories. Menhaden fishermen use purse nets, which are tarred to preserve them. To keep their hands from sticking to the tarred nets they rub on them a freshly caught menhaden, handling it somewhat as they would a cake of soap. So oily is the menhaden that the simple pressure thus applied is enough to bring through the scales oil sufficient for the purpose.

Pleasant Job.

"Oh, George, I'm so glad you've come," exclaimed the sweet girl. "Father is so excited and disturbed. Do go in and calm him."

"Very well," replied Mr. Lovett, "what's the matter with him?"

"Why—er—I just told him you wanted to marry me."—Philadelphia Press.

A Mean Trick.

"What do you do to make talk when you call on a new girl?"

"I usually start by telling a joke."

"But the rest of the evening?"

"That can be filled up in explaining the joke."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Foresee misfortunes that thou mayest strive to prevent them, but whenever they happen bear them with magnanimity.—Zoroaster.

WHICH?

[illegible] Catherine Manchester or [illegible] was the perfection of face and form [illegible] a colonial ship with the rules in short, she was the head belle girl of the middle of the eighteenth century in Virginia.

[illegible] distanced all other suitors in the race for her hand. Sidney Pryor and Homer Lane had been cadets at William and Mary college, were both members of the house of burgesses and each was in possession of a fine plantation. Kate MacKenzie admitted that she had a liking for [illegible] one or the other, but which she knew. Some said it was the handsome Homer Lane; others the roystering Pryor. And others declared that since they were such good friends it would be a pity for the belle of the James" to accept either.

When the young men discovered that they were rivals if there was a tacit [illegible] between them it was buried within the depths of their hearts, where no one could know of it. Each took special pains to conceal any animosity from Kate MacKenzie. Notwithstanding she was piqued that neither [illegible] chose of the other. In vain she favored one, then the other. They were too loyal to each other to reveal, if they felt it, what she desired to call forth.

One afternoon the rivals met at the MacKenzie manor house and together made a request of Kate that she would decide between them. It happened that the spokesman for the two was the man to be rejected. This ruffled Kate, who resolved that she would make both men show jealousy, and she had already conceived a plan for doing so. She told them that she would decide between them at a ball which marked the close of the hunting season, to come off in a week from the evening. If Pryor was her choice, she would wear a red rose; if Lane was favored, a yellow one.

During the remaining days of the week the two suitors vied with each other in [illegible] parties, of which Kate MacKenzie was always the most prominent figure, showed for each other the utmost friendliness. No one knew surely whether it was assumed or real. The probability is that both being high minded, honorable men, really believed that there was no rancor in their hearts. They had yet to learn what a woman in such a case can accomplish.

On the night of the ball Kate purposely delayed her coming. For this she had two reasons. She wished by suspense to work on her suitors' feelings and to arrive when dancing was going on, so that she might have a better chance to meet them separately. When she left the robing room and entered the ballroom on her father's arm she had a red and a yellow rose in her hand. Seeing Pryor coming toward her, she slipped the red rose into her corsage. He came up without attempting to conceal his delight, but Kate went on to salute the hostess. Scarcely had she turned from Pryor when she saw Lane standing with his back to her. Taking the red rose from her corsage, she slipped the yellow one in its place; then, making a detour, she passed before him. After this she was surrounded with cavaliers, and each of the two rivals, thinking he had been chosen, magnanimously left her to others.

Soon after Kate's entrance both Pryor and Lane met on the veranda, where each had gone to enjoy his own happy thoughts.

"Homer, dear fellow," said Pryor, "my happiness is marred by your disappointment."

"You mean that your disappointment is deepened by my happiness. The rose was yellow."

That which had been smoldering within both of them now began to come out, at first slowly, then by leaps. Each believed the other was intent on not acquiescing in the decision. Kate was looking for them to come to her for an explanation, when she would enjoy their discomfiture and rejoice in having made them show their feelings. But they did not come. One, two, three hours passed, and neither did they approach her, nor did either of them appear again in the ballroom. Becoming worried, Kate asked her attendant to walk about with her, hoping to see one or both of her lovers. A servant near the door told her that both the gentlemen had gone and that two others had gone with them.

Kate's heart stood still. Sinking on a hall lounge, she asked her attendant to call her father, and when he came the coach was called and father and daughter drove away together.

The next morning the peninsula was startled at the news that the two friends and rivals, Sidney Pryor and Homer Lane, had fought a duel the night before and both had been killed.

The rivals were buried side by side. How this came about no one outside of their respective families knew, though it was suspected that it came of a request from the heartbroken woman who had set them at enmity. She never had a lover again and never was seen at a hunt or a ball. She lived to be an old woman, and to the day of her death she made frequent pilgrimages to the graves of her two suitors. She was often watched by curious people to discover which of the two men she had loved. But they were never successful. She carried her secret with her to her own grave.

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